

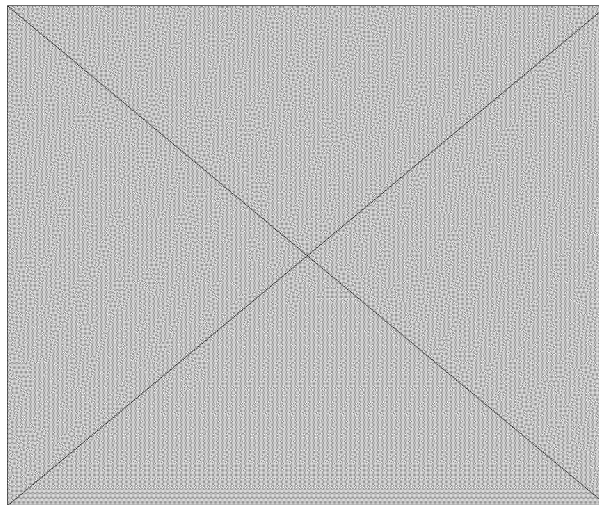
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Missteps and conflict between the state and the feds have hounded the recovery of Arizona and New Mexico's remaining wolf packs.



BLM partners with mountain bikers to combat illegal trails

- The agency is increasingly looking to locals to help deal with high demand for recreation access.

The West's 'new normal': Another long season of volatile wildfires

- In California and across the region, drought and heat makes for big blazes.

Park Service ended a wolf study in Alaska, since so many have been killed

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The state culled wolves that had been collared, and it's no longer feasible to continue research.

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Building rural communities to last presents complex challenges. In this series, we continue to explore threats to the long-term health of the West's small towns -- and examine promising responses.

A different type of addiction

In Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, alcohol claims more lives than other drugs, but now an alternative treatment program could help.

The rural county trying to find its high-risk drug users before it's too late

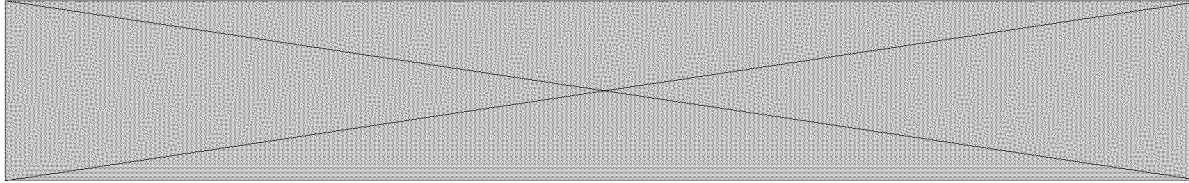
Rio Arriba's health care providers are pulling together to treat patients and prevent overdoses.

How a police chief used compassion to combat his community's drug

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The approach taken by Gloucester, Massachusetts, might falter in New Mexico, where it's desperately needed.

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Photos of the communities for and against the proposed Washington port. Story from May 2015; a similar fights rage on today.

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In light of recent protests over a massive pipeline approval in North Dakota, re-read this feature story from April 2012.

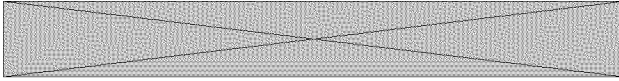
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